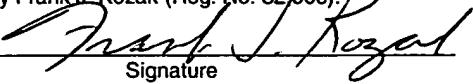




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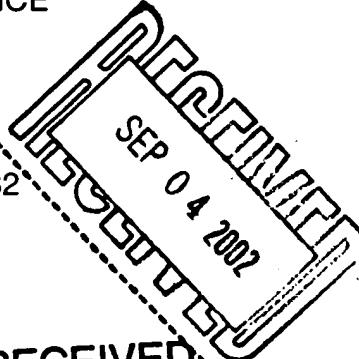
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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97-1.99, Applicant discloses the reference(s) listed on the attached PTO Form 1449 for consideration by the Examiner.

The undersigned certifies that no item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application or, to the knowledge of the undersigned after making reasonable inquiry, was known to any individual designated in 1.56(c) more than three months prior hereto.

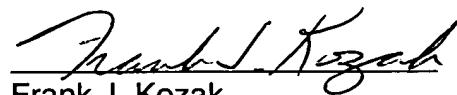
Applicant requests that the Examiner review the entire disclosure of each listed reference. Applicant requests that each reference listed on the enclosed form PTO-1449 be included in the record of this application. The Examiner is requested to

acknowledge consideration of the reference(s) by initialing the appropriate location(s) on the form PTO-1449 enclosed herewith.

Applicant submits that the claimed subject matter of the present application defines over the cited prior art.

Applicant does not represent any cited reference to be prior art and Applicant reserves the right to disqualify any reference by the showing of an earlier date of invention, if appropriate.

Respectfully submitted,


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